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SUBJECT: ARGENTINE WHEAT/ FLOUR SUPPLIES FOR BOLIVIA

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1. EMBASSY HAS MADE INQUIRIES OF ARGENTINE FOREIGN OFFICE AND WITH GRAIN BOARD AND TRADE CONCERNING POSSIBLE WHEAT FLOUR SUPPLIES FOR BOLIVIA DURING COMING MONTHS. WE SOUGHT DATA CONCERNING REPORTED 20,000 MT FLOUR PURCHASED; FLOUR TO BE MADE AVAILABLE UNDER GRANT AND POSSIBILITY OF ADDITIONAL FUTURE SALES AT BOLIVIAN REQUEST. IN EACH CASE, WE SOUGHT INFORMATION CONCERNING PROBABLE AVAILABILITY DATES.

2. OUR SOURCES CONFIRMED THAT GOA AND GRAIN BOARD HAVE APPROVED (AND THUS UNDER ARGENTINE CONTROLS ON GRAIN SALES, MADE AVAILABLE,) 20,000 MT FOR SALE TO BOLIVIA. WE UNDERSTAND THAT BOLIVIANS AND PRIVATE ARGENTINE EXPORTERS NOW DICKERING CONCERNING PRICE. FLOUR SHOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR DELIVERY SHORTLY AFTER AGREEMENT REACHED ON PRICE.

3. FONOFF SOURCE IN POSITION TO KNOW, STATES THAT IN INTERNATIONAL DISCUSSION FOOD AID PROGRAM DURING NOVEMBER 1972, ARGENTINE PROMISED 15,000 MT WHEAT FLOUR TO BOLIVIA DURING 1973. WHEAT BOARD IN ARGENTINE HAS SET ASIDE THIS AMOUNT. WHEAT BOARD
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AND FONOFF SEEKING TO PROCESS, THROUGH RELATIVELY COMPLICATED PROCEDURE, ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS THROUGH WHICH FONOFF RECEIVES BUDGET ALLOCATION FOR USE IN PURCHASING WHEAT FLOUR COMMERCIALY TO IMPLEMENT GRANT COMMITMENT TO BOLIVIA. OUR SOURCE INDICATED COMPLETION ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS MAY REQUIRE FIVE MORE WEEKS. WITH LUCK, HE STATED, PROCEDURES FOR SECURING BIDS TO SUPPLY FROM PRIVATE SECTOR, REQUIRING ADDITIONAL 60 DAYS, CAN BE STARTED MID-MAY. HE DOES NOT ANTICIPATE SUPPLY OF GRANT FLOUR WILL ACTUALLY BE AVAILABLE AT BOLIVIAN BORDER UNTIL SEPTEMBER.

4. ALTHOUGH FONOFF SOURCE INDICATES GOA HAS MADE TENTATIVE AND CONTINGENT COMMITMENT MAKE ADDITIONAL 60,000 MT WHEAT AVAILABLE TO BOLIVIA, IN ADDITION TO 20,000 MT ALREADY APPROVED, WHEAT BOARD SOURCES INDICATE THAT FOR TECHNICAL REASONS (READ UNCERTAINTY OVER SUPPLY AND PRICE) IT IS UNLIKELY GOA WOULD FORMALLY APPROVE ADDITIONAL WHEAT FOR BOLIVIA IN NEAR FUTURE.

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